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Applicant: John MELLERT et al.

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INFORMATION IN OPTICAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORKS

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**TRANSMITTAL OF MISSING PARTS  
OF PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231  
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Sir:

This is in reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application mailed on September 21, 2001 in the above-identified application. Transmitted herewith are the missing parts needed to complete the filing of the subject patent application. Enclosed are:

- ☒ Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages)
- ☒ Seven sheets of Substitute Drawings with correct margins (Figs 1-7)
- ☒ Check in the amount of \$435.00 in payment of the \$370.00 basic filing fee and the \$65.00 surcharge fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(e)).
- ☒ Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).*
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 420.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Substitute drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 because:
  - drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. ( 5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch);

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*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the reply.*

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